

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH

September 13, 2005

“CONSTITUTION DAY”

On September 17, 1787, the 55 delegates to the Constitutional Convention held their final meeting to sign the Constitution of the United States of America, the foundation of our republic. After being signed, Congress sent printed copies of the Constitution to the state legislatures for ratification. By June 21, 1788, nine states had approved the Constitution, finally forming "a more perfect Union."

Louise Leigh founded Constitution Day, Inc. to perpetuate the Constitution to each succeeding generation, promote the annual national simultaneous recitation of the Preamble in schools across America, and to demonstrate the need to protect and defend the Constitution to maintain our liberties.

President George W. Bush signed into law on December 8, 2004 Public Law 108-447, establishing September 17th as Constitution Day, and requesting an educational program in all federally funded institutions.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors joins Louise Leigh and Constitution Day, Inc. in declaring September 17, 2005 as “Constitution Day” throughout Los Angeles County.

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